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REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Advisory Action dated July 26, 2005. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 13-19 and 30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Willis* (5,036,927). In response, Applicant has canceled these claims without prejudice. Accordingly, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejection.


Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 21-29 are allowed. Applicant acknowledges allowance of these claims.

Conclusion

The references cited by the Examiner, alone or in combination, do not teach, show, or suggest the invention as claimed. Having addressed all issues set out in the Advisory Action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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